



A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR & CITY COUNCIL

By Frey, Reich, Gordon, B. Johnson, Yang,  
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Honoring DeLaSalle High School Boys’ Basketball  
2014 Minnesota Class AAA State Champions

- WHEREAS: DeLaSalle High School of Minneapolis won its third straight Minnesota Class AAA State Championship on March 15, defeating Austin High School, 60-40; and
- WHEREAS: DeLaSalle is only the sixth high school in the history of the Minnesota State Tournament to win three straight boys’ championships. The 2013-14 team finished with a record of 27-3, were champions of the Tri-Metro Conference with an 13-0 record, and champions of Section 3AAA prior to winning the State Tournament; and
- WHEREAS: Head coach Dave Thorson now has a career record of 450 wins and 125 losses. In his 20 years at DeLaSalle, the school has qualified for twelve state tournaments, won six titles and finished as runner-up twice. Going back to 1927, DeLaSalle boys’ basketball teams have qualified for 45 state tournaments and won 20 state championships; and
- WHEREAS: The team compares as a microcosm of the entire DeLaSalle student body, the most diverse private high school in Minnesota – defined by every possible demographic including socio-economics, race, neighborhood and family background. The 13 players and managers on the team came to DeLaSalle from 13 different grade schools, parochial and public, including every neighborhood in Minneapolis; and
- WHEREAS: DeLaSalle repeated as Academic Team Champions for Section 3AAA, honored for posting the highest cumulative grade point average among its players. Nine of the 13 players earned a place on the DeLaSalle Honor Roll in the fall semester of the 2013-14 school year. All five seniors have been accepted to colleges. During Coach Dave Thorson’s career at DeLaSalle, every senior has matriculated to college; and
- WHEREAS: In alphabetical order, the team’s roster included Sacar Anim, Eli Brimacomb, Joshua Collins, Geno Crandall, Jeffrey Daubanton, Cooper Doran, Jarvis Johnson, Samm Jones, James Lawson, Goanar Mar, Malcolm Porter, Mike Pucci, Reid Travis; and
- WHEREAS: In alphabetical order, the team’s assistant coaching staff included Todd Anderson, David Collier ’99, Walter Franklin ’10, Nicholas Grue ’98, C.J. Hallman ’02, Quincy Lewis, and Tim Swords ’08. The team’s trainer was Cindy Schlafman;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE  
MINNEAPOLIS CITY COUNCIL:

THAT THE CITY OF MINNEAPOLIS CONGRATULATES THE  
DELASALLE BOYS’ BASKETBALL TEAM AND COACHES FOR  
WINNING THE 2014 CLASS AAA STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Passed by the City Council  
Eleventh Day of April A.D. 2014

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Barbara A. Johnson, *President of Council*

APPROVED:

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Betsy Hodges, *Mayor*

ATTEST:

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Casey Joe Carl, *City Clerk*